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TAGS: PARM, GW, UK

SUBJECT: MBFR: ANGLO- GERMAN CONSULTATIONS

REF: A) BONN 4048; B) LONDON 3325

SUMMARY: DURING MARCH 20 CONSULTATIONS IN LONDON WITH TICKELL AND WIGGEN, FRG DISARMAMENT COMMISSIONER ROTH DISCUSSED PARTICIPATION ISSUE, PHASED APPROACH, STATIONED/ INDIGENOUS FORCE REDUCTIONS, MIXED PACKAGES AND FRENCH ROLE IN MBFR. DETAILS FOLLOW. END SUMMARY.

1. PARTICIPATION. AMBASSADOR ROTH TELLS US HE INFORMED HIS BRITISH INTERLOCUTORS THAT THE FRG FAVORED LEAVING ASIDE THE STATUS ISSUE DURING MIT AND THIS SEPARATING THE SUBSTANTIVE ISSUE OF STATUS FROM THE FORM OF PARTICI-  
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PATION DURING MIT AND SUBSEQUENT MBFR NEGOTIATIONS. IF THIS APPROACH IS NOT ACCEPTABLE, ROTH WOULD THEN FAVOR STARTING DISCUSSION ON THE MIT COMMUNIQUE PARALLEL TO CURRENT VIENNA CONVERSATIONS ON THE STATUS ISSUE. THE COMMUNIQUE TALKS WOULD BE DESIGNED TO REACH AGREEMENT WITH THE EASE ON ONLY THOSE POINTS ESSENTIAL TO GET MBFR NEGOTIATIONS UNDERWAY ON A DATE CERTAIN IN LATE SEPTEMBER/EARLY OCTOBER. PER THIS CONCEPT, THE MIT COMMUNIQUE MIGHT INCLUDE A DESCRIPTION FOR THE MBFR PROUECT THAT ALSO WOULD SERVE AS THE AGENDA. ROTH SAID THE BRITISH TENDED TO FAVOR THE FIR GIVEN A FULL TRIAL, BUT THE MARKET IS TOO THIN. IN THIS CONNECTION, IT IS CLEAR THAT THE THRUST OF BERLIN AND SAARBRUECKEN PUBLIC OPINION IS IN GENERAL TOWARD SUPPORTING A NON- STOP SAARBRUECKEN/ BERLIN SERVICE. USBER INFORMS US THAT BERLIN GOVERNING MAYOR SCHUETZ PUBLICLY EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR MAT APPLICATION LAST WEEK FOLLOWING CALL BY MCGLON.

5. ON BALANCE, THE EMBASSY CONTINUES TO BELIEVE THAT IT WOULD  
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BE TO THE U. S.' ADVANTAGE TO TABLE THE MAT APPLICATION.  
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